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- (a) Claimants or beneficiaries of VA for purposes of disability compensation, pension, participation in a rehabilitation program under 38 U.S.C. chapter 31, and Government insurance. (38 U.S.C. 1711(a))
- (b) Claimants or beneficiaries referred to a diagnostic center for study to determine the clinical identity of an obscure disorder.
- (c) Employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs when necessary to determine their mental or physical fitness to perform official duties.
- (d) Claimants or beneficiaries of other Federal agencies:
- (1) Department of Justice—plaintiffs in Government insurance suits.
- (2) United States Civil Service Commission—annuitants or applicants for retirement annuity, and such examinations of prospective appointees as may be requested.
- (3) Office of Workers' Compensation Programs—to determine identity, severity, or persistence of disability.
- (4) Railroad Retirement Board—applicants for annuity under Public No. 162, 75th Congress.
 - (5) Other Federal agencies.
- (e) Pensioners of nations allied with the United States in World War I and World War II, upon authorization from accredited officials of the respective governments.

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§17.42 Examinations on an outpatient basis.

Physical examinations on an outpatient basis may be furnished to applicants who have been tentatively determined to be eligible for Department of Veterans Affairs hospital or domiciliary care to determine their need for such care and to the same categories of persons for whom hospitalization for observation and examination may be authorized under §17.41.

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HOSPITAL, DOMICILIARY AND NURSING HOME CARE

§ 17.43 Persons entitled to hospital or domiciliary care.

Hospital or domiciliary care may be provided:

- (a) Not subject to the eligibility provisions of 38 U.S.C. 1710, 1722, and 1729, and 38 CFR 17.44 and 17.45, for:
- (1) Persons in the Armed Forces when duly referred with authorization therefor, may be furnished hospital care. Emergency treatment may be rendered, without obtaining formal authorization, to such persons upon their own application, when absent from their commands. Identification of active duty members of the uniformed services will be made by military identification card.
- (2) Hospital care may be provided, upon authorization, for beneficiaries of the Public Health Service, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, and other Federal agencies.
- (3) Pensioners of nations allied with the United States in World War I and World War II may be supplied hospital care when duly authorized.
- (b) Emergency hospital care may be provided for:
- (1) Persons having no eligibility, as a humanitarian service.
- (2) Persons admitted because of presumed discharge or retirement from the Armed Forces, but subsequently found to be ineligible as such.
- (3) Employees (not potentially eligible as ex-members of the Armed Forces) and members of their families, when residing on reservations of field facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and when they cannot feasibly obtain emergency treatment from private facilities.
- (c) Hospital care when incidental to, and to the extent necessary for, the use of a specialized Department of Veterans Affairs medical resource pursuant to a sharing agreement entered into under §17.210, may be authorized for any person designated by the other party to the agreement as a patient to be benefited under the agreement.
- (d) The authorization of services under any provision of this section, except services for eligible veterans, is